

MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION
CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA
Lower Level – Room 40, City Hall/Court House, 15 West Kellogg Boulevard
November 20, 2008

Present: Susan Bartlett Foote, Carole Kralicek, Paul Larson, John Manning, Steve Trimble, Diane Trout-Oertel, Shari Taylor Wilsey

Absent: Carol Carey (excused), Richard Faricy (excused), April Haas (unexcused), Pat Igo (excused), Lee Meyer (excused), Mark Shepard Thomas (unexcused)

Staff Present: Amy Spong, Christine Boulware, Cory Rucker

CALL TO ORDER: 5:05 PM by Paul Larson (Chair)

- 1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Agenda was approved as submitted 6-0 (**Wilsey, Foote**).
- 2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** None were stated.
- 3. PERMIT REVIEW/PUBLIC HEARING**

A. 229 Eagle Parkway, Unit 4, Armstrong-Quinlan House- Individual Site, by Mark A Kawell, architect, for a building permit to install new windows and dormers into the north and south roof planes. **File #09-003**

Staff read the report recommending conditional approval of the application. Staff showed photos of the property. The applicant, Mark Kawell, spoke of the desire to add more light to the attic unit of the building. He explained do the design of the unit, dormers and some windows would need to allow natural light in. The applicant agreed with staff recommendations.

The motion was made by commissioner Manning for approval based on staff recommendations and seconded by commissioner Wilsey. **The motion was passed 7-0.**

B. 765 Hampden Avenue, University-Raymond Commercial Historic District, by BKV Group, for a building permit to construct a new multi-use building- Carleton Place Lofts Phase II. **File #09-004.**

Staff read the report recommending conditional approval of the application. The applicant spoke for a brief while in regards to the surrounding historic buildings and their designs while showing similarities in the current proposed designs to existing designs of the area. The applicants, Mike Krych and Gary Vogel, spoke of the different materials, concepts, colors and designs to be used in construction. There were three main points raised in the staff findings. There was concern from staff and some commissioners about the design of the proposed community room and the design to be employed in the exterior and the store front entry. Staff had concerns about the proposed window designs because the specs were not submitted and were not visible via the plans and photos that were submitted. There was also a concern from staff and some commissioners about the vents that would be used and therefore should not be visible or projecting out onto University Avenue or Hampden Avenue as well. Nor should they exceed four inches in projection from the building. There was a change in the planned landscaping designs from previous designs and any final plans or design changes must be approved by staff. The outdoor theatre (trellis) design came under question in regards to the material that is to be used such as the color or type of metal to be used. There were also questions raised about the bleeding of rust onto any brick or hard surface that is close or near the proposed metals to be used along the corner, at the top of the building and for the proposed drive-under. The staff recommendations request a design review committee to be

put in place to deal with the details such as color and materials to use and window designs and specs that were left out of the design plans and therefore must be reviewed before being installed to ensure that they are within guidelines for this district. The design review committee will consist of commissioners Wilsey, Trout-Oertel and Larson.

Commissioner Wilsey moved to approve the motion with staff findings. Commissioner Manning second the motion with amended findings of the scope of the design review committee review of the window and door specs, designs, material and style. **The motion passed 7-0.**

4. HISTORIC RESOURCE REVIEW

5. NEW BUSINESS

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Staff noted upcoming reappointments. Commissioners Meyer, Trout-Oertel and Foote have terms ending this year.
- B. Historic Preservation Plan Chapter: The next business meeting 12/4/08 will be the last opportunity the HPC has to approve the draft to forward to the Comp. Planning Committee and Planning Commission. Any suggestions or issues must be submitted to staff before the next business meeting.
- C. Staff informed that Commissioner Faricy has been ill the past few weeks and was briefly hospitalized. The commission would like to wish Mr. Faricy a speedy recovery and send their well wishes.
- D. There was a mention of the 3M redevelopment public meeting that was schedule for 7 pm 11/20/08. If any commissioner were to attend, please bring feedback to the next business meeting.
- E. Commissioner Wilsey raised concerns about the future of the historical property located at 311 Walnut. Staff was aware of the property and the condemnation order and stated the community in general was aware and working their options along with the homeowners.
- F. Demolition Delay Ordinance: Staff spoke briefly about the need to have an Executive Committee meeting in order to address the demolition of properties. The Executive Committee meeting was tentatively scheduled for 12/3/08.

7. ADJOURN: 7:25 P.M.

Submitted by: Cory Rucker